
How much better is it to get wisdom than gold! and to get understanding rather to be chosen than silver!
Prov. 16:16.

A nation mourns. Its President is dead.

The Womens Farm Bureau was postponed until Thursday April 19. The Home Demonstration Agent was unable to come.

Mrs Inie Wiley and the two children of her daughter Edith have moved into the Albert Edwards house at Ea. Otisfield.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Tucker are visiting relatives in Boston Mass. and in Montclair, New Jersey.

Mr. Gerrish of the Maine Public Utilities spoke at Community Hall Wednesday evening. Telephones was the subject.

Mr. George Hamilton, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Chapman and infant daughter called on the Henry Hamiltons Sunday.

Mrs. Neil Lovejoy and Mrs. Grace Dyer were in Norway Wednesday.

Mrs. Norman Hamlin is in the Osteopathic Hosp. for observation.

Mr and Mrs. Elias Johnson and Mr. and Mrs. Raino Johnson went to Lewiston Monday.

The Sunday visitors in town were: Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Greenleaf and son Clyde, Mr. and Mrs. Allie Monk, Mr. and Mrs. John Gibson and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Edwards.

Ruth and Rita Lamb were in Oxford for orchestra practice Tuesday night.

Rev. and Mrs. Maine and daughter were in town Tuesday.

Harry Whittum and family have moved to South Otisfield for a few weeks. Mr. Whittum will work for Fred Fortier.

Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Blake spent the week-end at their cottage on Lake Thompson.

Martin Wiley took Mrs. Blossom and Mrs. Walo to Norway Tuesday.

Mrs. Nurmi was in Norway one day this week.

Farmers have begun their spring work. Many report that they have peas planted.

SPURRS CORNER

Miss Margaret Hamlin of Portland visited her Aunt, Mrs. Lawrence Hanscom over the week-end.

Mrs. Arthur Shackley and Mrs. Corrine Ackley of Rumford were Sunday guests of Mrs. William Ash.

Mrs. Ash and her daughter Betty are working at Burnham & Morrills at South Paris.

Miss Mildred Dudley of Portland visited her cousin Gertrude Barrows Sunday.

Mrs. Ash is having a few days at home, to be with her husband who is on leave from the Merchant Marine.

Cornelius McAuliffe arrived in Baltimore recently from a trip with the Merchant Marine. His parents Mr. and Mrs. F. J. McAuliffe are expecting him home in Otisfield soon.

Winifred McAuliffe Y/30 of Washington, D.C. and Mrs. Anne Sheridan of Portland visited their parents the F. J. McAuliffes two days last week.

Carthage. Saunders S/2C was at home with Mrs. Gertrude Barrows over the week-end. Seaman Saunders is stationed at the Bronx, New York.

The mud seems to be pretty well dried up on the Oak Hill road.

Mr. and Mrs. Almon Hirst and daughter Mrs. Jacqueline Small called on Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mitchell Sunday.

SCRIBNER HILL NOTES

Lena K. Dyer

At last we have a road that we can ride over. Ever since March 13 we have walked, gone with horses or not at all. Sunday Fred Culbert and Edwin Jillson put in several hours with tractors and drags, so now mud time is forgotten 'till next year.

Tuesday Fred and Doris Culbert went to Norway; Saturday they spent the day at Lewiston; Sunday Mother Rose Hamlin from Norway spent the day with them. Sunday afternoon they called to see Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hamilton and son Henry Jr.

Mabel Peaco's granddaughter Christine is visiting her. Vera spent Saturday evening with her, and Dean and Helen Peaco and Leland Chase called on their way to Bolsters Mills Saturday evening. Ernest Peaco went to Norway Saturday. He had a tooth extracted and called on an old neighbor Mrs. Ida Jordan.

Howard Dyer and Maurice Whitcomb cut wood last Monday. They had another "big feed" of stewed beans, corn cake and mince pie at Camp #2. Sunday Howard and Lena Dyer called at B.C. Jillson's.

Ed Fortier and Philip Stone were the first ones to ride up over the Hill with a car this spring.

Our new baby Janice Jillson is well and grows every day. Gloria and Luba Jills on started school Monday after a three weeks vacation. Edwin Jillson is still making apple boxes.

Mrs. Marshall Seabury and son David of Yarmouth are guests of Mrs. Francis Small.

The answers to the "QUIZZ" questions will begin next week.

The Albert Dions (better known as "Shorty") are well and busy.

OTISFIELD GORE ITEMS

Lester Thomas has been taking valuation in this section of the town the past week.

Earl Dresser and Charles Thurlow were in Portland on business last Wednesday.

Nathaniel and Ruby Green were in East Otisfield Friday evening to pay their tax on their dog "Billy". They also brought home a nice guernsey calf, which they bought from her father B.C. Jillson.

The road crew were around April 6 and 7 and made a big improvement on our State road.

Some of the neighbors attended Pomona Grange at Welchville Tuesday April 3rd.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Small, who work at Norway, were at her parents home the Albert Bracketts over the week-end.

Mrs. Anna Borheck was at her home here over the week-end. We expect she will be moving back before long.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Johnson and two sons were at their farm on the Gore Sunday, cleaning up around their place.

Florence Flanders and daughter Eleanor Jean of Norway were at her folks Nathaniel Greens Sunday. Miss Eleanor stayed over night and went out with her Grandparents Monday forenoon when they went for Ruby's washings.

Charles Grover remains about the same.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Thomas and daughter Crystal spent Sunday evening with his brother Ralph Thomas and family.

Robert and Ruth Thomas were at her folks home on Frost Hill Sunday. Robert took his horses along and plowed his garden.

Guy Scribner and Almon Hirst were in Mechanic Falls one day this week.

GERTRUDES CORNER

Hi, folks of the "O.N." Great weather now for most anything from planting peas to, -(I was going to say Hitler, except we don't want any of his kind to spring up). He should have lived in the Dark Ages when great conquests were made in fashion.

That makes me think, as Cy Stone used to say, of what my sister told me. She has been taking scraps of food down to the foot of her garden, near the pond, for the blue jays all winter. The crows came also and helped themselves.

Sea gulls come to that end of the pond as soon as the ice goes every spring. This spring five have been seen at once.

The other day my sister saw a crow with some morsel of food that looked like a potato peel in his bill, but before he could swallow it a gull flew and grabbed it from Mr. Crow. The gull was about to eat it when two gulls came and divided it between them and ate it. I imagine old Crow cawed over that.

While we are "Casco", I'll tell about the little deer. In the winter, one morning my sister heard what she thought was children on skis on the back piazza, clattering around. But when she looked out what should she see walking the length of piazza and going down the steps but a little deer!

Gertrude I. Barrows

John Hirst S/2C called on his sister Mrs Pearl Vining one day this week. He is home on furlough and is with relatives in Norway.

Mrs. Irene Wiley and Mrs. Pearl Vining called on Mrs. Jacqueline Small.

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EDITORIAL

The President, --- as viewed from a Maine farm house.

He was an outstanding figure in many ways, -he inspired confidence in the "little man", -he commanded the respect of both friend and foe, the great of other nations pay tribute to his abilities as a Statesman and a champion of the under privileged.

He had had an unusual training for the office of President. As assistant Sec^y of the Navy in World War I he became acquainted with war strategy; as Gov. of New York he learned much about handling State affairs.

His will power must have been tremendous. He overcame the handicap caused by infantile paralysis and he met criticism with a calm that evoked admiration and respect.

LETS GET ACQUAINTED

Greetings to the Eastman Bean household!

Eastman Bean is the eldest son of Lewis Bean. He is a good neighbor and is always ready to give a helping hand. His hobby is antiques.

Olga Chase Bean is a charming person, loves children, is a competent teacher and is teaching the East Otisfield School.

Barbara Bean, the eldest daughter, is an attractive blonde, is a student at Oxford High School. She spends her leisure time with her scrap books.

Patricia Bean is a delightful young miss, is a pupil in the town schools and is interested in all kinds of sports.

SOUTH OTISFIELD

Forrest Edwards dragged the flat Saturday and reports that if a few mud holes could be filled with rocks, cars could travel. Mr. Edwards still has a bad cold.

Dora Brewster reported finding a mayflower almost blossomed out.

Edwin Jillson has been working on Forrest Edwards wind mill; it seems to be taking a spring vacation as it is not working right at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. Kidder have been painting their new sun porch.

Robert Baker went out with eggs Friday.

Mr. Woodhouse spent the week-end at his camp. He took his car from Fred Brooks barn to camp.

Eleanor Pulkkinen, Linley and Lawrence Fortier spent the week-end with their sister Catherine Matthews in Welchville.

Joseph Fortier Sr. is better and able to be about.

Leon Welch called on his brother Philip Welch in Norway on Monday.

Mrs. Bessie Welch has bought her home place back from Mrs. Elvira Welch of Portland.

Fred Fortier called on Howard Ames Sunday.

Edward Fortier called on his father Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Welch of Kennebunk were guests of Mrs. Bessie Welch Sunday.

News of Service Men

A letter came to Ruby Green from her youngest son who is serving in the U.S. Army. He said that he had been there long enough now so that he could tell her when he left the States. He left California on New Years evening and went under the Golden Gate Bridge at just

9.30 o'clock on one of the fastest transport ships. He touched New Guinea, Leyte and then landed on Luzon in the Phillipines. He had been assigned to the 181st F.A. Bn., doing radio work. He would be very glad to hear from any of his many friends. His address is:

Pvt. Nathaniel B. Green, 31400633
Btry. A, 181st F.A. Bn.
A.P.O. #70 %Postmaster
San Francisco, California.

Her oldest son Frank is in the Marine Corps and is now stationed on Palau Island in the South-west Pacific, as a radar operator in the fourth Anti-Aircraft Artillery Bn. He left the States June 10, 1944. He will observe his 21st birthday on April 12. He also would be glad to hear from his friends. His address is:

Cpl. Frank Green, 853315
U.S.M.C. 7 B-Battery
Heavy Anti Aircraft Group
4th Anti-Aircraft Artillery Bn.
% F.P.O.
San Francisco, California.

Workmen on the road are Jack Hill, William Hill, Henry Hamilton, James Jordan and Eastman Bean. The Selectmen are busy making out the valuation and the tax bills. The town Clerk reports that the dog taxes are still coming in. Fishing and hunting licenses are being issued.